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SOUTHWEST FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT REPORTS RECORD-BREAKING AUGUST TRAFFIC

FORT MYERS, Fla. (Sept. 19, 2018) – During August, 501,023 passengers traveled through Southwest Florida International Airport in Fort Myers, Fla., an increase of 4.1 percent compared to August 2017. Year-to-date, passenger traffic is up 5.1 percent from the same period last year.

The traffic leader in August was Delta Air Lines with 124,596 passengers traveling to and from Fort Myers. Rounding out the top five airlines were American (90,455), Southwest (85,612), JetBlue (65,209) and United (44,456).

Southwest Florida International Airport had 4,451 aircraft operations, a decrease of 4.1 percent compared to August 2017. Page Field saw 7,798 operations, a 12.8 percent increase from August 2017. In addition, slightly more than 2.7 million pounds of air freight moved through Southwest Florida International Airport in August 2018.

Southwest Florida International Airport served more than 8.8 million passengers in 2017 and is one of the top 50 U.S. airports for passenger traffic. No ad valorem (property) taxes are used for airport operation or construction. For more information, visit <u>www.flylcpa.com</u> or Like Us on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/flyRSW</u>.

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